

**SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR AN
ELECTRONIC MAIL VPN IN A SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT
FRAMEWORK**

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ABSTRACT

A system, method and computer program product are disclosed for providing an electronic mail virtual private network in a supply chain management framework. Utilizing a network, data is collected from a plurality of outlets of a supply chain that
10 relates to the sale of goods by the outlets. Access to the data is allowed utilizing a network-based interface. The data is processed and then sent using electronic mail via the network to one or more of the following: a supplier, a distributor and the outlets in the supply chain.